

INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To: Indiana State Board of Education **From:** State Board of Education Staff

Date: January 27, 2016

RE: Year 4 Schools and School Quality Reviews

Year 4 Schools and Ind. Code 20-31-9-3; School Quality Reviews and 511 IAC 6.2-8-2

Background

For those schools placed in lowest category or placement for a fourth year, the Board is required to establish and assign an expert team to the school for the purpose of assisting in revising the school's plan and recommending changes that will promote improvement.

The expert team must include representatives from the community or region the school serves. Additionally, the team may include school superintendents, members of governing bodies, teachers from school corporations that are in high categories or designations, and special consultants or advisers.

The Board shall determine the scope of the review and direct the Department to conduct the review. Schools in need of a review this year are noted below.

- Jacques Marquette Elementary (Gary Community School Corporation)
- Jefferson Elementary (Gary Community School Corporation)
- Northwest Community Junior High School (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- Elder W Diggs School 42 (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- Riverside School 44 (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- Southside Middle School (Muncie Community Schools)
- James Madison Primary Center (South Bend Community School Corporation)

Recommendation and Timeline

The Department and Board staff jointly recommend developing an MOU between the Department and SBOE that outlines the roles and responsibilities of DOE and Board staff, the role of partner organizations (e.g. AdvancEd and Mass Insight) that are currently working with the schools, the timeline of the work, and the deliverables that will be produced for the Board and each school.